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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b> (General - Patent Pending)				<b>JUN 23 2006</b>		Docket No. <b>FET-19</b>	
In Re Application Of: Michael W. Lassota et al.							
Application No. <b>10/631,118</b>	Filing Date <b>7/31/03</b>	Examiner <b>Reginald L. Alexander</b>	Customer No. <b>28,439</b>	Group Art Unit <b>1761</b>	Confirmation No. <b>3943</b>		
Title: Food Processing Apparatus with Auto-Directive Controller							
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<b>APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION</b>						
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Statement</b></p> <p>The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. [NOTE: The United States Patent and Trademark Office may require additional information if there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional (MPEP 711.03(c), subsections (III)(C) and (D)).]</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>WARNING:</b></p> <p>Petitioner/applicant is cautioned to avoid submitting personal information in documents filed in a patent application that may contribute to identity theft. Personal information such as social security numbers, bank account numbers, or credit card numbers (other than a check or credit card authorization form PTO-2038 submitted for payment purposes) is never required by the USPTO to support a petition or an application. If this type of personal information is included in documents submitted to the USPTO, petitioner/applicants should consider redacting such personal information from the documents before submitting them to the USPTO. Petitioner/applicant is advised that the record of a patent application is available to the public after publication of the application (unless a non-publication request in compliance with 37 CFR 1.213(a) is made in the application) or issuance of a patent. Furthermore, the record from an abandoned application may also be available to the public if the application is referenced in a published application or an issued patent (see 37 CFR 1.14). Checks and credit card authorization forms PTO-2038 submitted for payment purposes are not retained in the application file and therefore are not publicly available.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"><div style="width: 45%;"><p>James W. Potthast Reg. No. 26,792 Cust. No. 28,439 Potthast &amp; Associates 10606 Deerpath Road Woodstock, IL 60098 Voice: 815-334-0830 Fax: 815-334-0820</p></div><div style="width: 45%; text-align: right;"><p>Dated: June 23, 2006</p></div></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"><p>I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to "Mail Stop Petition, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450" [37 CFR 1.8(a)] on</p><p style="text-align: center;">(Date)</p><p style="text-align: center;">_____ Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence</p><p style="text-align: center;">_____ Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</p></div> <div style="margin-top: 10px;">cc:</div>					